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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98

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Sir:

Applicants respectfully entry of the INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98 and consideration of the remarks set forth herein.

The following documents are enclosed herewith:

- PTO 1449 form submitted for parent application 08/979,742
- a copy of the "Detailed Discussion" submitted for USSN 08/854,050
- Postcard

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REMARKS

Incorporating References Cited in Parent Applications Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d)

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced application is copy of the Forms

PTO-1449, submitted under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, relating to the parent applications

U.S. Application Serial No. (USSN) 08/979,742, filed November 26, 1997; 08/854,050, filed

May 9, 1997, and related application USSN 08/724,643, filed October 1, 1996, all prior applications to which the above-referenced application claims priority. The references cited therein are incorporated by reference herein, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

It is respectfully requested that the cited information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and the references be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

The references listed in the form PTO Form-1449 are not being provided pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d). Copies of references (references AA-AE) listed on sheet 1 of the attached form PTO-1449 for co-pending parent USSN 08/979,742, were previously submitted in its prosecution. Copies of references (references AA-EA) listed on sheets 1 to 5 of the attached form PTO-1449 for USSN 08/854,050, were previously submitted in prosecution of copending application U.S.S.N. 08/724,643. Copies of references listed on sheet 6 of the attached form PTO-1449 (references FA-FR) were previously submitted in prosecution of copending application USSN 08/854,050. Applicants believe that no additional copies of these references are required to be submitted and that additional submission of these references would be cumbersome for the Office; however, Applicants will provide additional copies at the request of the Examiner.

The relationship between the aforementioned U.S.S.N. 08/854,050, U.S.S.N. 08/724,643, and the present application is as follows:

The present application is a Continuation-In-Part application ("CIP") of USSN <u>08/979,742</u>, filed November 26, 1997; and PCT/US97/17618, filed October 1, 1997, and

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PCT/US97/17885 filed October 1, 1997, which are continuation-in-part applications of USSN 08/911,312, filed August 14, 1997, and

USSN 08/912,951, filed August 14, 1997, and

USSN 08/915,503, filed August 14, 1997, which are continuation-in-part applications

of

USSN 08/854,050, filed May 9, 1997, which is a continuation-in-part application of USSN 08/851,843, filed May 6, 1997, which is a continuation-in-part application of USSN 08/846,017, filed April 25, 1997, which is a continuation-in-part application of USSN 08/844,419, filed April 18, 1997, which is a continuation-in-part application of USSN 08/724,643, filed on October 1, 1996.

Applicants respectfully draw the Examiner's attention to the submission in copending application USSN 08/854,050 of a "Detailed Discussion of Most Closely Related References" which accompanied a "Petition to Make Special under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d)" filed in that application. Applicants believe that the references discussed in the "Detailed Discussion" are also related to the present application, and that the "Detailed Discussion" may be of assistance to the Examiner in the present case. For the Examiner's convenience, a copy of the "Detailed Discussion" submitted for USSN 08/854,050 is attached.

Applicants believe that <u>no fee is required</u> for submission of this statement, since it is being submitted prior to the first Office Action on the merits. However, if a fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to the above-noted Deposit Account.

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If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at (415) 576-0200 or Randolph T. Apple at (650) 326-2400.

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